IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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FOR:	METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR IMAGE PROCESSING CAPABLE OF EFFICIENTLY PERFORMING A GRAY-SCALE CORRECTION		
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